CHAPTER 221:

HATED

KUROBOSHI SANSEI, TODAY WE'LL CLEAN THE STOREHOUSE
YES, TAMAKO-SAMA
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INSIDE THE STOREHOUSE ARE VARIOUS VALUABLES

YES, I WILL CERTAINLY NOT RUN AROUND WILDLY
SO DO NOT RUN AROUND WILDLY UNDER ANY CIRCUM-STANCES

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THERE ARE GHOSTS!
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I AM HATED!!

FOR 5 WHOLE DAYS!?
SHE WON'T HEAR ME OUT
FOR RUNNING AROUND WILDLY IN THE STORE-HOUSE?

I BROKE MANY THINGS
DID YOU BREAK SOME-THING IM-PORTANT?

I CAN'T TURN MY BACK ON YOU
AAH, WILL SOMEBODY COME WITH ME TO APOLOGISE...?
GOOD EVENING, TAMAKO-SAN
AH, WELCOME RINNE, SAKURA-CHAN.
OH~ ROKUMON TOO?
SHE DOESN'T LOOK ANGRY
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AAA AH
EVERY-THING'S FINE, SANSEI-KUN.
ROKUDO-KUN WILL CHEER TAMAKO-SAN UP
THIS IS THE ONLY THING THEY WON'T REFRAIN FROM DOING
AAH, RAGE
DON'T CALL ME G.R.A.N.N.Y. ~~
OWOW-OWOW-OWOW!
GRANNY, TODAY I CAME TO ...

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SHE'S IGNORING HIM!?
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U-UM, TAMAKO-SAMA
I...

YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT THAT TIME WHEN HE RAN AROUND WILDLY IN THE STORE-HOUSE?
UM~ BUT...
I'M NOT PARTICU-LARLY ANGRY. WHY DO YOU ASK~?
SANSEI-KUN'S TEA AND CAKES ...
TAMAKO-SAMA
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HE DOESN'T NEED THEM, RIGHT?
WELL,
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TH-THIS IS...

DEVIOUS BULLYING
SORRY, THERE'S NOTHING FOR Bko-SAN
THOSE ARE SOME SOU-VENIRS FROM Ako-SAN'S TRIP
BEING PRACTICED IN THE WORK-PLACE AND THE LIKE, THE RUMORED...

THAT KIND TAMAKO-SAN WENT SO FAR AS TO...
IT HAS BEEN LIKE THIS FOR A WHILE NOW

TO THINK THAT GRANNY WOULD DO SUCH A THING...
I'M SHOCK-ED.

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ANYWAY, WE HAVE TO GO TO THE ACTUAL SPOT AND LOOK FOR THE CAUSE OF HER ANGER

DIDN'T YOU BREAK SOME-THING REALLY IMPORTANT TO HER?

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YOU DON'T WANT TO, HUH?
NO... NEVER MIND
AREN'T WE GOING TO LOOK FOR IT INSIDE!?
WHAT DID SANSEI BREAK?

IF I DARE TO SAY ...
PLEASE CLEARLY TELL ME WHY ARE YOU MAD AT ME
EEH-I? THEN...
IT WAS A MESS INSIDE THE STOREHOUSE... I DON'T HAVE THE SLIGHTEST IDEA...
I DON'T KNOW,
AFTERWARDS, HE DID SOME-THING UN-ACCEPTABLE
IT IS IM-POSSIBLE, THERE ARE GHOSTS!
I WAS GOING TO MAKE HIM CLEAN THE PLACE...
I RAN AWAY!!
THAT'S ...?
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IF ONLY I DID NOT HAVE A PHOBIA OF GHOSTS
IF ONLY I DID NOT HAVE A PHOBIA OF GHOSTS I WOULD HAVE CLEANED IT UP

SO YOU TALK ABOUT MONEY FIRST
FOR HOW MUCH?
WON'T YOU HELP ME CLEAN IN SANSEI'S PLACE?
AH, RINNE

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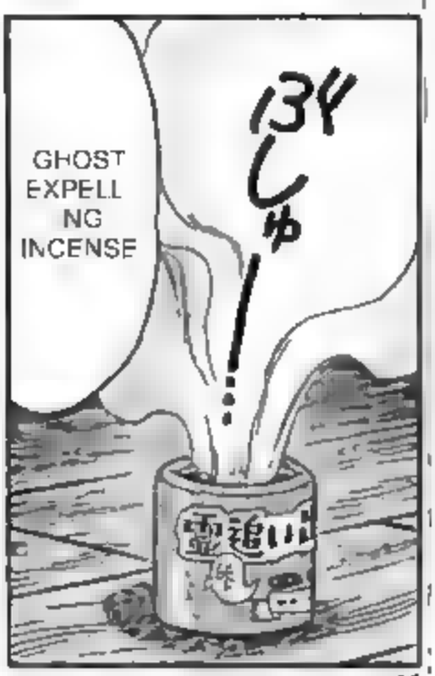
GHOST EXPELLING INCENSE IS A GROUND-BREAKING ITEM THAT SMOKES OUT GHOSTS


GHOST EXPELLING INCENSE
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YUP- FEEL A BIT MOTIVATED-
LET'S GIVE IT OUR ALL
YES, I'LL DO MY BEST!!
THAT SHOULD DO IT
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GOOD, THEN SINCE ALL BROKEN THINGS ARE TO BE THROWN OUT WE'LL TAKE THEM OUTSIDE
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YES TAMAKO-SAMA!
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IT'S FINE FOR YOU SEE
YOU'RE QUITE ROUGH
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I DON'T NEED IT ANYMORE

WAA-AH!
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IT NOT USEFUL AT ALL
I AM FIRED, TAMAKO SAMA!?
I DON'T NEED IT ANYMORE
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FIRED!?
IF RINNE WANTS TO USE IT I CAN GIVE IT UP TO YOU, YOU KNOW?
WHATEVER THE CIRCUMSTANCES MAY BE AREN'T YOU TOO OBVIOUS ABOUT IT?
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MORE IMPORTANTLY
HE HAS A PHOBIA OF GHOSTS, SO HE'S OF NO USE
ROKUDO-KUN'S ALSO TOO BLUNT
I REFUSE

YOU JUST FIRED HIM A MOMENT AGO
I WONDER WHERE ON EARTH DID KUROBOSHI SANSEI GO?
EH?
HUUH?
YOU'RE ASKING THAT NOW?
ARE YOU GROWING SENILE, GRANNY?
YOU DON'T REMEMBER?
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EH ~~!?
NOW I MUST SAY GOODBYE
THANK YOU FOR TAKING CARE OF ME
TAMAKO-SAMA

EH!?
HE HASN'T SAID FARE-WELL TO ME...
THAT'S NOT GOOD.
TAMAKO-SAN, IF THIS CONTINUES SANSEI-KUN WILL BE GONE. ARE YOU FINE WITH THAT?
SANSEI STILL HASN'T RETURNED HOME?
KURO-BOSHI,
I AM WORRIED ABOUT MY GRANDCHILD~
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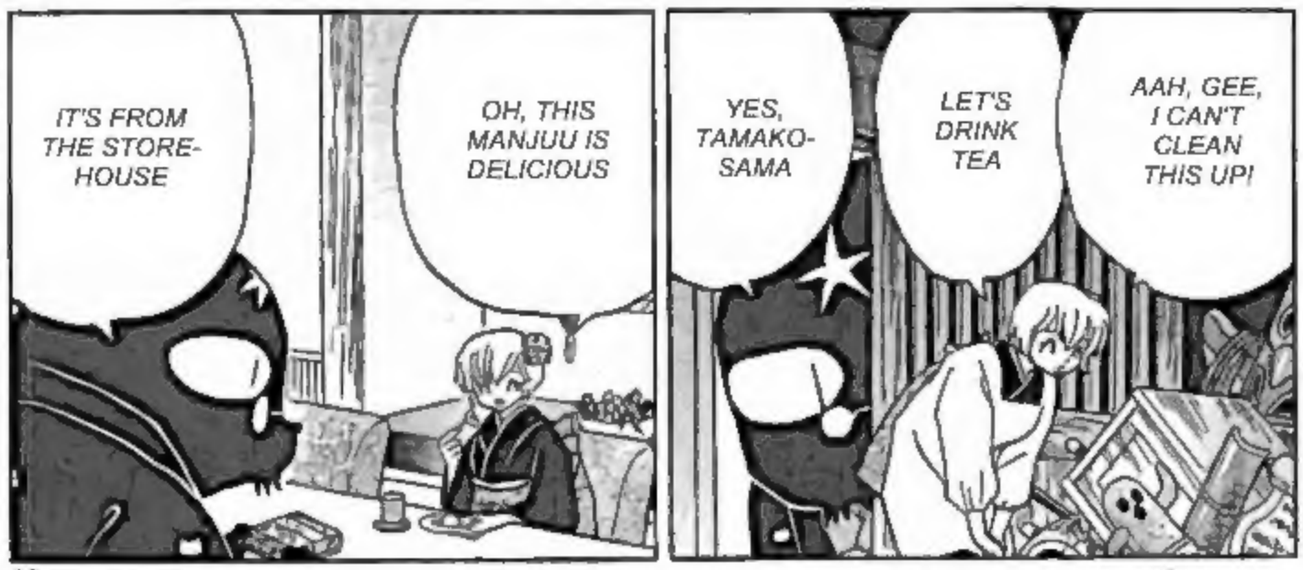
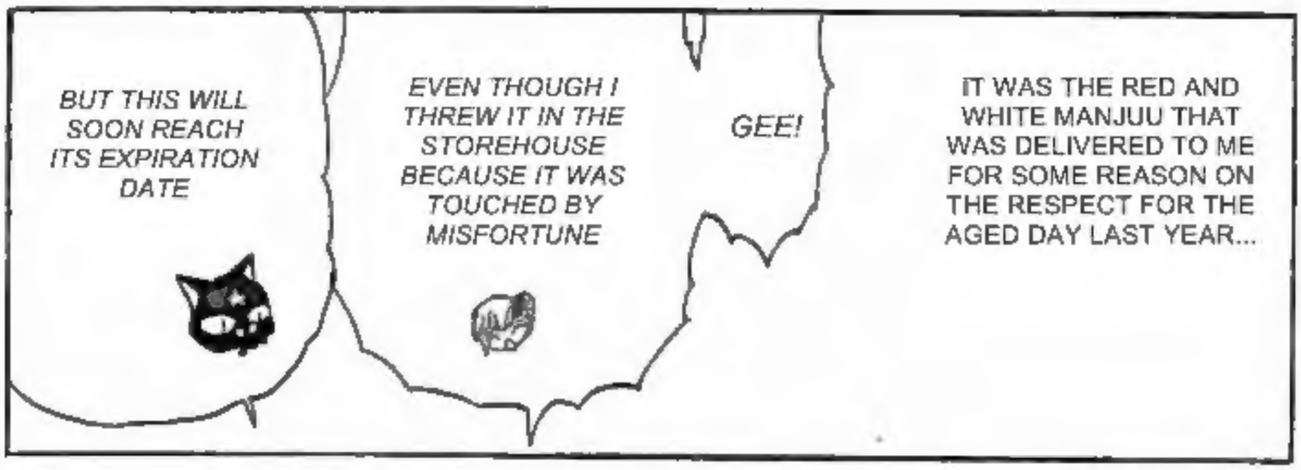
MOREOVER, 5 DAYS AGO WAS WHEN HE RAN AROUND WILDLY IN THE STORE-HOUSE...
SHE DOESN'T SEE HIM!?
HE'S BEEN HIDING SOME-WHERE THOSE PAST 5 DAYS, BUT WHERE?
EVEN THOUGH I'M NOT ANGRY AT ALL,
THIS IS ...

... IF WE ASSUME THAT, THEN 5 DAYS AGO SOMETHING HAPPENED ONLY TO THE INHABITANTS OF THIS HOUSE...
KUROBOSHI SANSEI, WHO CAN BE SEEN BY US, CAN'T BE SEEN BY GRANNY AND KUROBOSHI!?

AFTER SANSEI RAN AROUND WILDLY IN THE STOREHOUSE 5 DAYS AGO...
I RAN AROUND WILDLY IN THE STOREHOUSE
WHAT HAPPENED 5 DAYS AGO!!
RE-MEM-BER,



*ON THE BOX IT'S WRITTEN: "RESPECT FOR THE AGED"/ "SHINIGAMI ASSOCIATION"


BUT THIS WILL SOON REACH ITS EXPIRATION DATE
EVEN THOUGH I THREW IT IN THE STOREHOUSE BECAUSE IT WAS TOUCHED BY MISFORTUNE
GEE!
IT WAS THE RED AND WHITE MANJUU THAT WAS DELIVERED TO ME FOR SOME REASON ON THE RESPECT FOR THE AGED DAY LAST YEAR...

I WONDER IF THIS STORY HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH THIS...
THE REASON IS CLEAR
SHE SAID "DELIVERED TO ME FOR SOME REASON"...

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, THAT'S WHEN IT ALL BEGAN
I'LL EAT THE RED ONE...
WHILE I WAS HIDING AFRAID OF BEING SCOLDED I GOT HUNGRY ...
EH?
I ALSO SECRETLY ATE ONE

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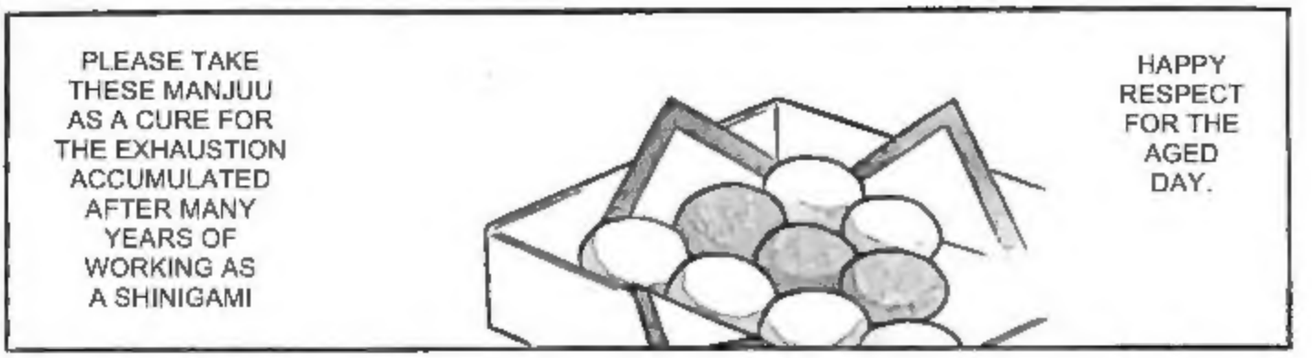
YES, TAMAKO-SAMA
PLEASE CLEAN SANSEI'S SIDE DISH
THEY ACTED AS IF I WASN'T THERE...


PLEASE TAKE THESE MANJUU AS A CURE FOR THE EXHAUSTION ACCUMULATED AFTER MANY YEARS OF WORKING AS A SHINIGAMI
HAPPY RESPECT FOR THE AGED DAY.

YOU WILL BECOME UNABLE TO SEE OR EVEN HEAR GHOSTS
WHILE IF YOU EAT A WHITE MANJUU A MIRACLE WILL HAPPEN.
THE RED MANJUU ENDOWS YOU WITH AN ETHE-REAL BODY,

THE WHITE ONES
WHAT KUROBOSHI AND I ATE WERE...
I ATE THE RED ONE
PLEASE FORGET ABOUT WORK AND ENJOY YOURSELF FOR A BRIEF PERIOD ...

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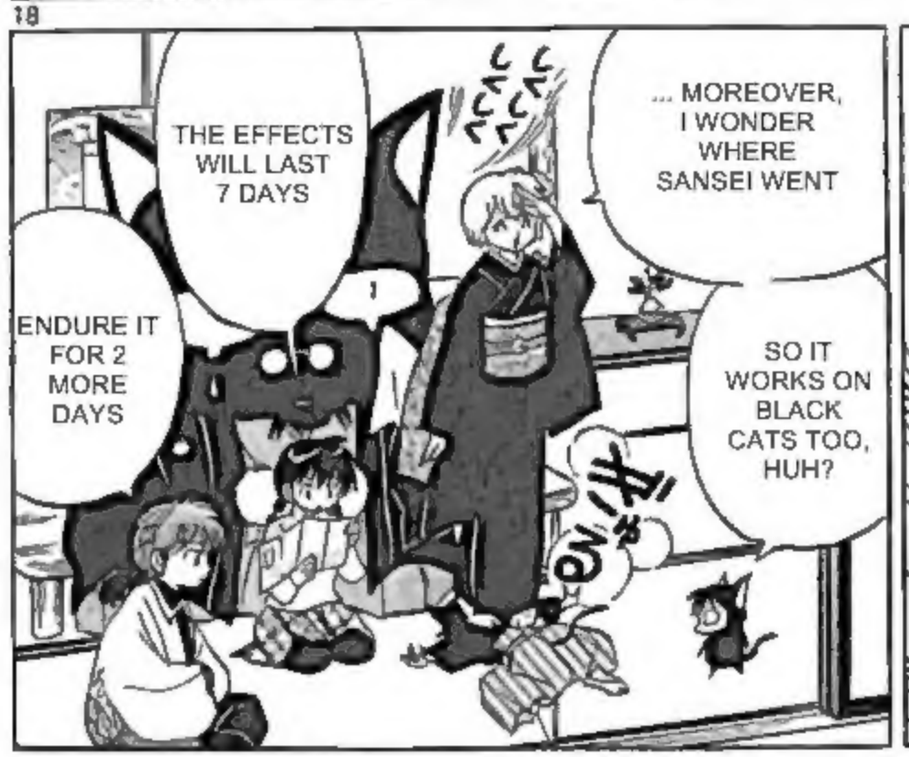
THE EFFECTS WILL LAST 7 DAYS
... MOREOVER, I WONDER WHERE SANSEI WENT
ENDURE IT FOR 2 MORE DAYS
SO IT WORKS ON BLACK CATS TOO, HUH?
NYA!

TAMAKO-SAMAA!
THEN, YOU DID NOT COME TO HATE ME,